NARBERTH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. December, 1939.

Members of the Council.

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Clerk. Mr. T'Bentley Mathias.
M.O.H. Dr. Lionel Owen.
Sanitary Inspector. Mr. W.G.Mathias.
Treasurer. W.J.Griffith Esq.National Prov. Bank Ltd. Narberth.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.
Deaths from Puerperal Sepsis.

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Death rate of infants under 1 year of age.....
All infants per 1,000 live births.....
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.....
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births..

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Deaths. From Cancer all ages.....
Measles do
Whooping Cough.....
Diarrhoea. (Under 2 years of age).....

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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.

Medical Officer of Health.	1.
Sanitary Inspector.	1.(Certificated).

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Two fully qualified Nurses are stationed in the Town. One does General Nursing and the other Maternity Duty. Both work under the directions of the Medical Practitioners in the District. Their salaries are paid by voluntary subscription and also by Grants from the County Council.

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LABORATORY FACILITIES.

Samples of Milk are sent to the Biological Institute, Runcorn.
Sputum. This is examined at the County Laboratory, Cardiff.
Swabs. Specimens are sent to the Biological Laboratory, Swansea and also to the County Medical Officer, County Health Dept. Haverfordwest. These arrangements work quite satisfactorily.

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AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For general Hospital cases, the County War Memorial Hospital provides the Ambulance.
Infectious Diseases. These are treated at the Pembroke Dock Isolation Hospital, Where an Ambulance is provided free.

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C L I N I C S.

Narberth.	Tuberculosis.	once a month.
do	Baby Welfare.	do .
do	Orthopaedic.	Quarterly.

Homeless Children. The Public Assistance Committee provide suitable premises at Saunderfoot, where homeless children are being cared for,

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis).

Diseases	Total notified	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths.
1. Small Pox.	...	...	...
2. Scarlet Fever.	...	...	
3. Diphtheria.	...	...	...
4. Enteric Fever.	...	...	...
5. Puerperal Fever.	...	...	...
6. do Pyrexia.	...	...	...
7. Pneumonia.	...	...	
8. Measles.	One	...	...
9. Other Diseases.	...	...	...
	One	...	...

Smoke Abatement. No action found necessary.

Closet Accommodation. The Privy and Pail system are fast disappearing. Conversions into the Water carriage system take place each year.

Sanitary Inspection of the District.

No of inspections made.	Nature of Inspections	No.of notices served.	Result.
243	Nuisances.	84	Work carried out.

Public Cleansing. House Refuse and Street Sweepings are collected twice weekly.

Sewers and Drains. The Drains and Sewers are functioning properly, but there are several lengths of built sewers cut out of shale with stone slab covers. With the increase in the installations of Water Closets, it is urgent that all sewers should be piped.

Bed Bugs. No infestation of the Bed Bug has been found in the Area.

T U B E R C U L O S I S.

New Cases and Mortality during 1939.

Age period.	New Cases. Respiratory		New Cases. Non-Respiratory		Deaths. Respiratory		Deaths. Non-Respiratory.	
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1.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5.	One	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
35.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
45.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
55.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
65.&c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	One	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

SECTION E. (a) Milk Supply. The Dairies supplying this Town are situated in the adjoining Rural District, and I am given to understand that samples are taken for Bacteriological examination, with satisfactory results.

(b) Meat and other Foods. It has been the established practice to visit Slaughterhouses, Stalls and Vehicles, and places where food is prepared, once every week. The quality of the meat sold to the public is very good.

SECTION D.

Housing. The Council had made arrangements for the purchase of a Building Site sufficient for the erection of 10 Workman's Dwellings. If this proposal had matured, the local problem of unfit houses, and also overcrowding would have been solved. Since the state of emergency, the erection of two Villa Residences has been commenced, and one Bungalow has been completed, but the erection of Council Houses has been suspended.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ERNEST. W. PRICE. M.O.H.

Narberth. June. 1940.

Narberth Urban District Council.

Report of the Sanitary Inspector.

1. Number of inspections made during the Year.	324
2. Houses placed in habitable condition.	2
3. Houses closed.	Nil
4. Overcrowding abated.	1
5. Common Lodging Houses.	None
6. Slaughterhouses. (5 Privately owned), Inspections.	200
7. Dairies and Cowsheds.(3 do do), do .	30
8. Workshops. 47	47
9. Filthy Houses Cleaned.	Nil
10. Houses Disinfected.	2
11. Houses erected or re-built.	1
12. Houses connected with sewers.	1
13. New Water Closets.	1
14. Privy Conversions.	4
15. Sample of Town Water Analysed.	1
16, Samples of Milk Analysed.	Nil
17. Compensation paid for destruction of Infected Articles.	Nil

W. G. MATHIAS?

Sanitary Inspector.

Narberth, July 1940.